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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

MASAKI SODA et al.

Serial No: 10/577,193

Filed: April 26, 2006

For: SEALING DEVICE

Art Unit: 3676

Examiner: Alison K. Pickard

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated August 29, 2008, please amend the above-identified application as follows: